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## Young mother killed in crash

Rachelle Goudy, 17, was identified by friends as the driver of the car who died in a collision in Calgary, near Spruce Meadows, on Sunday night. For the story, see page 4. [FACEBOOK](#)

# Albertans, get ready to vote

## POLITICS

### Prentice to test new budget with election



Premier Jim Prentice is expected to gather with colleagues at an Edmonton community hall Tuesday for an election announcement, triggering a month-long campaign.

The move comes a year before Alberta fixed-election term legislation says it should and less than two weeks after the Tory government introduced a controversial provincial budget that included dozens of new taxes and fees, as well plans to reduce spending in key sectors, like education and health.

As well, just last week two polls from different firms placed the Tories in a statistical tie with the opposition Wildrose, who some thought were to be a non-factor in this campaign after nine members crossed the floor in December.

Metro confirmed Monday that Prentice and others will gather for an "important announcement" at 10:30 a.m. at Edmonton's Crestwood Community Hall. An inquiry to the premier's office was not returned.

The Tories were to wrap their final two party nomination contests in Calgary-McCall and Calgary-Fort late Monday. Candidates also confirmed they'd received order forms for election signage and preparations for campaign offices were underway.

The NDP, meanwhile, also announced Monday it would roll out a full slate of candidates when the writ drops.

"Alberta's NDP is ready for the

election regardless of when it's called," said party leader Rachel Notley. "Our team as a whole is really excited to be able to offer an alternative to Albertans."

Duane Bratt, a political scientist at Mount Royal University, said he expects an "unusual campaign" where no party but the ruling one targets seats around the province. Instead, he said the Wildrose will focus on 20-25 ridings, mostly rural ones, and the NDP will swing efforts heavily towards Edmonton, Lethbridge and one Calgary seat, Fort, that's being sought by former Calgary city councillor Joe Ceci. He said the Alberta Party and Alberta Liberals would do well to focus on 4-5 ridings apiece.

Bratt also expects the end result is a foregone conclusion, but said the budget may cost Prentice some seats as he faces attacks for the lingering provincial debt and new taxes.

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# Funding model doesn't meet student needs: CBE

## EDUCATION

**Chairwoman says board has long lobbied for changes**



**Jeremy Nolais**  
Metro | Calgary

Calgary's top public school official says she and her big-city peers have been arguing for years for a better provincial funding model.

Calgary Board of Education chairman Joy Bowen-Eyre's comments Monday came after Metro published an analysis it worked on in conjunction with concerned parents that found Calgary's two major school boards receive far less funding than the majority of Alberta's other 61 school boards when the dollars are broken down to a per-student basis.

The province has insisted, however, that its funding is based on a "living model" that is updated frequently and takes into account both vulnerable student groups as well as "significant cost differences that are beyond the control of school jurisdictions."

But Bowen-Eyre said urban-school trustees have determined the current model doesn't "meet the needs of students" and have lobbied for a review for a decade.



**John Pantazopoulos, head of the Calgary Association of Parents and School Councils, says he's concerned about the transparency of provincial funds to aid vulnerable student groups.** METRO FILE

"Within the metro group, we have an extremely high population of complex and diverse students," Bowen-Eyre said. "So, because of that, we need to be funded differently."

A winter 2014 newsletter distributed to MLAs by the "Metro School Boards Group" — the public and Catholic organizations in both Calgary and Edmonton — stated that of 295,000 total students, 33 per cent receive additional supports.

"We recognize funding challenges exist throughout the province; however, the Metro School

Boards Group wants to highlight complexities of the metro boards as a result of the diversity of our cities," reads the newsletter obtained by Metro.

"We have been faced with funding cuts year over year; despite inflated oil prices," the document continues, before identifying four grants, including one for middle- and high-school class sizes, that have been eliminated in recent years and another two that have been reduced.

Another, the Small Schools By Necessity grant, is still provided to rural boards, but Bowen-

Eyre said organizations such as hers could use the money to provide less hectic learning environments for students with special needs and others. She declined to speculate on why Edmonton's public board still receives an additional \$522 per student.

The Calgary public board's \$8,844 per student ranked 56th of 63 provincial boards, while the Calgary Catholic School District's \$8,776 ranked 60th.

But CBE officials confirmed the province doesn't put strings on differential grants to support

First Nations, English-language learners and other vulnerable student groups, meaning, essentially, Edmonton public's general revenue pot is larger.

Brad Grundy, the public board's chief financial officer, said the only funds that come with specific-use restrictions are for transportation and infrastructure maintenance renewal — both of which were excluded from the per-student analysis.

In a statement Monday, Alberta Education said the responsibility to use the dollars properly falls on the boards.

"Boards have the flexibility to modify their funding envelopes, but are expected to ensure services are provided to students requiring special and specific programming," read an emailed statement.

But John Pantazopoulos, head of the Calgary Association of Parents and School Councils, said while the province's funding model is spelled out clearly online, he has lingering questions about whether the dollars are benefiting the intended children.

"How do we know if the funding is enough?" he said. "Does a special-needs child need the \$1,320.34 in funding or is the need closer to \$10,983.24 or can we get away with funding \$134.95 by way of example? How are these numbers calculated? Do the school boards provide feedback to the province to whether the funding for special needs cases is sufficient?"

## EDUCATION

# Budget issues to 'impact' front line

Calgary's public school board will need to cut tens of millions from its operating budget while maintaining its front-line teaching ranks and preparing itself for another rush of new students this fall.

At a news conference Monday, the Calgary Board of Education revealed its first analysis of the March 26 provincial budget, one that won't provide additional dollars for growth and did cut into grants for certain vulnerable student groups, such as English Language Learners and First Nations.

All told, the board is anticipating a \$29.3 million shortfall.

"We wanted to let parents know we're concerned about this budget this year," said Joy Bowen-Eyre, the board's trustee chair.

She later added, "We believe this budget will directly impact each and every student at CBE."

The longer-term budget also foresees a continued slide in money to support CBE students, from \$9,366 per learner in 2015-16 down to just \$8,830 come 2017-18. By comparison, the board had \$9,558 a student in 2012-13.

The CBE already has the largest high-school class sizes in the province, and Brad Grundy, the organization's chief financial officer, said it's unlikely administrators will be able to shelter city classrooms from a 1.5-students-per-class increase projected by the provincial government.

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# Teen remembered as a loving friend, mother

RACHELLE GOUDY

## Girl's Pontiac G6 was hit by a Dodge Ram Sunday night



**Robson Fletcher**  
Metro | Calgary

Seventeen-year-old Rachelle Goudy, who died in a car crash in Calgary, is being remembered as a defender of the bullied, a caring mother to her baby daughter, and a young person whose life was taken far too soon.

Friends identified Goudy as the driver who was killed when her car was struck by a pickup truck near Spruce Meadows at about 9 p.m. Sunday, at an intersection area residents describe as dangerous and in need of traffic lights.

Goudy attended high school in Airdrie, and last November gave birth to a baby daughter, Nora. Classmates described her a down-to-Earth person who loved her little girl immensely, as well as a stand-up friend.

"I remember Rachelle coming down the school halls and

when I saw her, I knew everything was going to be okay," Mackenzie Murphy, the Airdrie student who helped launch that city's anti-bullying bylaw, posted in a message on Facebook. "When I was getting bullied she was my hero, the person that saved me so many times and I wish I could have been there to return the favour. I'll miss you, and you'll always be in my heart."

Classmate Elise Owens described Goudy as a "really sweet" person, adding, "I could tell she loved her daughter."

Taylor Freeman, who went to school with Goudy at the Louise Dean Centre in Calgary, a school designed specially for teenage

mothers, said she'll remember Goudy most for her kindness and unrelenting happiness.

"We were pregnant together ... and when I went into early labour, Rachelle was messaging me every day, making sure I was doing OK," Freeman said. "She was just a very lov-

ing person and always had a big smile on her face."

Police are still investigating the cause of the crash, which also injured the 18-year-old male passenger in Goudy's car, but don't believe speed or alcohol were factors.

Investigators believe her



Many of Rachelle Goudy's friends say she was compassionate and always smiling. FACEBOOK

car was headed south on 37 Street and stopped at the stop sign at the intersection with Spruce Meadows Trail SW, before proceeding into the path of a westbound pickup truck and being struck.

Cassandra Checkley, who lives nearby, said she was involved in a collision at the same intersection just last week, and suffered a broken tailbone and ribs.

She believes the intersection

should be upgraded to include traffic lights.

"Obviously the stop sign isn't enough," Checkley said Monday.

### + SPRUCE MEADOWS AND 37 STREET

#### High-traffic streets

The intersection of 37 Street and Spruce Meadows Trail SW is right at Calgary's southwestern edge, but falls under the city's jurisdiction, according to

Alberta Transportation.

A city spokesperson confirmed that but said no one from the transportation department was available for an interview Monday.



Nick Lush METRO FILE

CRIME

## Lush family in mourning

Family and friends are rallying around the loved ones of Cochrane man Nick Lush, whom the RCMP now believe was murdered.

Two men, 24-year-old Cory Kenneth Bauer of Calgary and 22-year-old Kristopher Goerzen of Brooks, were arrested Sunday in Cranbrook, B.C., and now face charges of first-degree murder.

Brad Zingel and his wife Shannon — Nick's cousin — said they were worried about the financial situation for Denise Lush and the three young kids she cared for with Nick, and decided to start a fundraiser for the family.

"I know the financial situation is going to be very, very tough, especially since now we know Nick's not coming home," Zingel said. "It's pretty terrible, but I know they're relieved that there is support in the interim with the reduction in their income."

When tragedy strikes, Zingel said it always seems to hit those who least deserve it. He said Nick was always there for anybody who needed him, and there was no one who took better care of his family.

"He was one of the best people I've ever known," Zingel said. "If you asked him for the shirt on his back, he would give it to you. He was just a great guy."

Zingel added that it's especially heartening to see so much support from people the Lush family has never even met before.

"We've seen support from places we never would have expected," he said. "It's amazing how people from all over southern Alberta are getting on board with helping them out in a time of need."

To donate to the Lush Fund, visit: [gofundme.com/qggnjgg8](http://gofundme.com/qggnjgg8)  
ANNA BROOKS/METRO

### + COURT DATE

#### Accused to appear before provincial court

Kristopher Goerzen is scheduled to appear in Cochrane Provincial Court on April 14 and Cory Kenneth Bauer is scheduled to appear in Cochrane Provincial Court on April 21.

**"I remember Rachelle coming down the school halls and when I saw her, I knew everything was going to be OK."**

Mackenzie Murphy

NEIL BANTLEMAN

## Ex-Calgary school teacher vows to fight for freedom



Former Calgary teacher, Neil Bantleman. THE CANADIAN PRESS



**Jeremy Nola**  
Metro | Calgary

A former Calgary private-school teacher is vowing to fight on for his release after being found guilty of child sex abuse in Indonesia.

The guilty verdict handed down last week to Neil Bantleman came after a trial his supporters say was marred by inconsistencies and bias towards the prosecutors.

It's alleged Bantleman and

another teacher sedated children at Jakarta International School (JIS) and then sexually abused them.

Before teaching at JIS, Bantleman worked at Calgary's Webber Academy for a decade.

On Monday, he issued a statement, stating "our fight is not over yet."

"I have lived in Indonesia for five years and never once has my admiration and respect diminished for the community of Indonesians I have met; it has only grown stronger each

and every year," Bantleman said in the statement provided to media by brother Guy Bantleman.

"Though I have been tested and tried, and treated inhumanely like this, I still have faith in Indonesia. The people of Indonesia are better than the label of a corrupted country. Together, Indonesians will break free from the stigma — letting truth and justice be upheld in the struggle to live a righteous life."

Bantleman was sentenced to 10 years in prison.





A man accused of asking a four-year-old girl to fondle him at a dayhome in the O-100 block of Covehaven Crescent NE has been charged with invitation to sexual touching with a child under 16. ANNA BROOKS/METRO

## Man accused of asking girl to fondle him

### DAYHOMES

### Officer says lack of co-operation frustrating for investigators



Anna Brooks  
Metro | Calgary

Calgary police have charged a man after he allegedly asked a four-year-old girl to fondle him at a private dayhome in northeast Calgary.

Staff Sgt. Melanie Oncescu from the CPS Child Abuse Unit said police have confirmed sexual contact did occur between the child and accused sometime between September 2014 and February 2015.

Police were alerted in March after the child told her parents about the alleged assault in the O-100 block of Covehaven Crescent N.E.

"When dealing with children we have to be mindful of their ability to articulate and speak to time," Oncescu said. "We are dealing with a young victim, but she was a

very articulate girl and was able to provide her story to the investigators."

A family with a young child who just moved into the area said it was hard to believe an incident like this could occur in such a quiet neighbourhood, adding that they are currently looking for a dayhome for their own child.

"I can't really believe it," said the neighbour, who didn't want to be identified.

"Calgary has a good reputation, and I've always had a good perception of the dayhome system and regulations here."

The accused was not a child-care worker but lived at the home and is related to the dayhome provider, according to police. Oncescu added that the man lived in the residence with his own child, who is four years old. Oncescu said both the dayhome provider and the accused are being unco-operative with police.

"It's frustrating," she said. "We want to be able to speak with other families that attended the dayhome and get an understanding of their experiences there, but we don't have co-operation with the provider."

### ASIRT

## Police watchdog busier than ever before

Alberta's police watchdog is seeing its busiest year since its inception in 2008.

The number of investigations being undertaken by the Alberta Serious Incident Response Team (ASIRT) is set to hit an all-time high in 2015.

At a news conference in Edmonton earlier this year, executive director of ASIRT Susan Hughson said they've already investigated 25 incidents in 2015, a number on pace to sur-

pass 41 investigations recorded in the previous year and any year on record. The five-year average is about 32.

"It's not normal," said Hughson. "I can't really comment on why we have so many investigations because it could be a situation where there's more reporting." She noted they're also investigating more "sensitive" cases, like breach of trust, drug use and corruption.

Edmonton lawyer Thomas

Engel feels ASIRT has a police-favoured bias, noting many officers working for ASIRT are former police themselves.

Chairman of the Alberta Criminal Trial Lawyers' Association policing committee, Engel feels ASIRT needs to have more civilian oversight and said that in his opinion some work undertaken by the police watchdog has been "sloppy" and "negligent."

Statistics posted online show

14 of 195 cases have resulted in criminal charges, less than seven per cent of total investigations. However, it's a number that could change pending ongoing cases from 2012 and 2013. Autonomous from any police agency, ASIRT is responsible for investigating any police-involved activity. Still, they collaborate with Crown prosecutors when determining whether or not to lay charges.

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**City has grown since 2003, but residents use less water now**



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Last year, Calgarians consumed more than 176 billion litres of water.

To put that in perspective, it's equivalent to filling and draining the Glenmore Reservoir 10 times over.

That may sound like a lot, but it's actually 17 per cent less water than the city consumed in 2003, despite the fact that the population is now 30 per cent bigger.

For more than a decade now, Calgary has consumed less and less water as it has grown.

Despite seeing the largest population increase on record in 2014 — 38,508 new people — total water consumption actually edged downward by 2.1 billion litres from the year before.



**Calgarians consumed enough water to fill and drain the massive Glenmore Reservoir, shown during the June 2013 flood, 10 times over in 2014. But that's actually the least water use, per capita, the city has seen in modern times.** METRO FILE

"We're pretty proud what we've been able to accomplish," said Shannon Abbott, a leader of resource planning and policy with Calgary water services. "Since 2003, we've been able to reduce our consumption pretty consistently, and over that time frame, our population has increased by over 272,000 people, and yet, we continue

**"We're pretty proud what we've been able to accomplish."**

Shannon Abbott,  
City of Calgary

to withdraw less water."

Abbott said Calgary has made some changes to the way it treats its water, consuming less in the process of making it safe to drink, and has also managed to reduce losses from water mains and other pipes through a leak-detection and repair-and-replacement regime. But the largest contributor,

she said, has been the changing behaviour of Calgarians.

Part of the motivation is financial, as 98 per cent of residential customers are now on water meters, whereas in the past many homes paid a flat rate, regardless of how much they consumed.

Just about 9,000 accounts remain on a flat rate, Abbott said, down from about 20,000 two years ago.

Studies have shown that metered customers use up to 60 per cent less water than flat-rate customers, she added.

Widespread adoption of low-flow toilets — in part due to the city's residential toilet rebate program, which has seen more than 70,000 toilets replaced since 2003 — and other household appliances that use less water has also contributed.

"There's been just a general market trend toward efficient fixtures," Abbott said.

The city remains on track to use less water in 2033 than it did in 2003, and Abbott said the city's next emphasis will be on working with industrial and commercial customers to reduce their water use.

# 70,816

The number of toilets replaced under Calgary's residential toilet rebate program since 2003

# 98%

The proportion of residential customers who now have water meters, up from 94% in 2013

# 176K

The amount of water, in megalitres (ML) that the city diverted from the Bow and Elbow rivers for consumption in 2014.

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# Beekeepers set for swarm season



**Swarms shouldn't be feared, says an advocate.** CONTRIBUTED

## NATURE

### Volunteers scour city to capture bees, alter attitudes



**Helen Pike**  
Metro | Calgary

Before Calgary's flowers start blooming and pollination begins, beekeepers are buzzing in anticipation of hive season.

According to Stacey Cedergren, spokeswoman for Apiaries and Bees for Communities, urban beekeeping is legal in Calgary by "omission," and urban hive keepers want to keep it that way.

Every year around this time, the group holds a workshop to

help beekeepers come together and volunteer to keep an eye on "swarms" in the city.

A bee swarm is a natural process by which a colony multiplies, creating a new queen and splitting up an overcrowded community of bees.

Cedergren said the public often has the wrong idea about swarms and can feel threatened by a cloud of buzzing bees. In order to curb the elimination

of bees through pest control, and to harbour better understanding of bees in the city, the group helps co-ordinate volunteers to track and capture swarms as necessary.

"They think they might be aggressive, and they're not at that time," Cedergren said.

"It's not really something that bylaw deals with.... Typically the bees aren't in one place for a long enough time."

Dale Melenberg has been beekeeping in Calgary for about four years and volunteering for three. He responds when he can to the email blasts sent out within the group's network when swarms are spotted.

"I've invited other swarm catchers who've never caught a swarm before to come with me," Melenberg said. "That way they'll have the confidence to do it the next time."

## POLITICS

### Former PC boss resigns from board



**Jeremy Nola**  
Metro | Calgary

The former head of the Progressive Conservative Association of Alberta (PCAA) has revealed that he's resigned from the party's board of directors due to a lack of respect.

"I cannot and will not participate on a board where the head has no respect for it, its role and its members, regardless of letter, the intent, the spirit of the constitution, thus exposing volunteers to personal liability," Jim McCormick wrote in a Facebook post.

McCormick served as the president of the PCAA up until last November, when he stepped aside and was replaced by Terri Beaupre.

He had, however, remained on with the party's board of directors until tendering his resignation March 24.

Metro couldn't immedi-

ately reach McCormick for comment on Monday.

"Jim McCormick has been a valued member of our team for a long time, and we appreciate all that he's done to serve this party and province," said Beaupre in a statement that was released on Monday.

"I can confirm we received Mr. McCormick's resignation on March 24, 2015. We accepted his resignation and wish him all the best in the future."



**Former Alberta Progressive Conservative Party president Jim McCormick, right, and party executive director Kelley Charlebois.** METRO FILE

## ROADS

### Two dead in rollover crash near Sundre

RCMP are investigating after a pickup truck with four passengers rolled off the highway north of Sundre, killing two.

On Sunday at approximately 10 p.m., Sundre RCMP were called to the single-vehicle crash on Highway 22, near Township Road 340. The truck was found off the highway. In a report, RCMP suggested the vehicle had rolled, coming to rest upright.

According to EMS, one female passenger in her 40s was ejected from the vehicle. The female driver, who EMS

said was in her 30s, was unconscious and trapped inside the wreckage with critical, life-threatening injuries.

Both women were rushed to hospital, one by STARS air ambulance and one by ground ambulance. RCMP say they are in stable condition.

The two male passengers in the rear of the vehicle died at the scene.

Alcohol is believed to have been a factor in the crash, RCMP said.

Names of the victims have not been released.

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## OKOTOKS

## Urban hen lovers to take health-care training



**Helen Pike**  
Metro | Calgary

Urban hen participants in Okotoks are clucking in anticipation for their new urban pen pilot project slated to start this summer. But before residents can sign up for the project, they have to complete a course on the health of their hens.

"This is completely different because there will be people participating that have never

had chickens before," said Jenni Bailey, representative from the Okotoks division of the Canadian Liberated Urban Hen Klub (CLUK).

"They don't know what to feed, they don't know what things they can treat themselves or when it is time to go see a vet, anything," Bailey said.

The year-long pilot program will analyze the success or demise of hens in an urban setting. The town has estimated participation at 18 households,

**+ RSVP**

The event will be held at the Okotoks Public Library Wednesday at 6 p.m., RSVPs can be done over Facebook.

and will evaluate applications on a first-come, first-served basis.

"The pilot project will be judged on how things go, whether or not it will become bylaw,

and stay," Bailey said. "I think it's critical that everybody has a sense of responsibility for their hens, and that we're all starting on the same level."

She said the group is overjoyed the town is considering a course on hens mandatory for people who want to sign up to be a part of the pilot program.

"As far as pilot projects go, I think it sets a standard, that people are aware of what they're getting into and what can go wrong," she said.



Canoeist Haley Daniels has put forward a proposal to the International Olympic Committee to include canoeing in the women's canoe slalom events. CONTRIBUTED

## Hey Olympics, women want to canoe, too

## EQUALITY

**Calgarian wants to include sport at major competition**



**Anna Brooks**  
For Metro | Calgary

Calgarian Haley Daniels is the top female whitewater slalom canoeist in Canada, but cannot attain her dream of going to the Olympics because, so far, there are only canoeing events for men.

While there is a canoe slalom event called K-1 (kayak single) under women's events, there is no option for women to partake in C-1 (canoe single) or C-2 (canoe double), which are both men's events.

"There's a gender equity imbalance where men get more opportunities than women," Daniels said. "A lot of people are adverse to change, and that's a major issue."

With the door for the Rio 2016 Olympics closed for Daniels, she said she hopes the International Olympic Committee will accept a proposal to include women's C-1 and C-2 events in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Daniels said one of the biggest challenges competing in

**+ FUNDRAISING**

Daniels is hosting a cooking event at The Paintbox Lodge in Canmore April 14 to raise money for the Pan Am Games. For more information or to donate, visit [haleydaniels.ca](http://haleydaniels.ca).

a sport not sanctioned by the Olympics is funding.

Despite being on the National Team for whitewater slalom canoeing for the past six years, Daniels has to pay her own way to major competitions like the upcoming Pan Am Games in Toronto, a cost of approximately \$20,000.

"Basically, I'm an athlete for sale," Daniels said. "Although I'm the Canadian champion and I'm a Canadian athlete, I don't have enough money to go and race in Toronto to represent Canada."

If Daniels is able to raise enough money to make it to Toronto this summer, she said it would be the first multi-level sport games that canoe women will be able to compete in.

"This is the first step moving towards gender equity I would say," Daniels said. "I'm trying to represent women across the world, but I'm not able to. I need the funds to get to my competitions."

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# Flames fans eager for three crucial games

## PLAYOFF PUSH

### Young team in control of its post-season destiny



**Robson Fletcher**  
Metro | Calgary

With just three games left — two of them against rivals fighting for the same playoff positions — Calgary Flames fans are eagerly anticipating their team's final three games of the regular season this week.

"It's really exciting to watch," said Josh Antonishyn. "Every point is so crucial now."

It may seem like a distant memory today but, at this time last year, making the playoffs seemed to many fans



**Calgary Flames fans hold giant masks of, left to right, Jiri Hudler, Sean Monahan, and Johnny Gaudreau, in Edmonton on Saturday.** AMBER BRACKEN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

a goal for several years down the road, as the Flames entered a rebuilding phase.

But the team of largely young players, who earned the nickname "Cardiac Kids" this year for their frequent, come-from-behind victories,

now finds itself in control of its own post-season destiny.

"At this point it feels surreal," said fan Jefri Hiebert. "This has been a Cinderella rebuild story."

The Flames take on the lowly Arizona Coyotes Tuesday night, which Antonishyn said "in theory, should be an easy game."

The real tests will come Thursday against the Los Angeles Kings and Saturday against the Winnipeg Jets — two teams also fighting for the last remaining playoff spots in the NHL's Western Conference.

"I think it will come down to the very last game," said fan LaToya Wilson, adding that the season has been a success, whether the Flames make the playoffs or not.

"I am personally extremely grateful for this season and have thoroughly enjoyed watching this team," she said.

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**"This has been a Cinderella rebuild story."**  
Flames fan Jefri Hiebert

## DREAM ART

### Teen representing Canada in contest

A young Calgary girl has been chosen to represent Canada in the 2015 Toyota Dream Car Art Contest with her colorfully detailed design called Cheerota-up.

Katherine Yuan, 13, based her drawing of her dream car on everyday struggles people deal with like depression, addiction and illness. Yuan said the Cheerota-up is a Toyota car that exhausts joy instead of gas, and puts happiness into all the bad things in the world.

The third year of the contest, Yuan is amongst nine others entrants from across the coun-

try who will represent Canada in the global competition against 70 other countries.

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**Katherine Yuan's depiction of the Cheerota-up, a car that exhausts joy instead of gas.**  
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## IN BRIEF

### Jeff Callaway steps down as Wildrose president to run in Alberta election

The president of Alberta's Wildrose party is stepping down in order to run in the upcoming provincial election.

Jeff Callaway is going to carry the Wildrose flag in Calgary-Northwest.

The riding is currently

held by Sandra Jansen of the Progressive Conservatives who won the seat in the 2012 election with almost 52 per cent of the vote.

Callaway says the Wildrose will run candidates in all of Alberta's 87 constituencies and the party has enough money to mount a strong campaign.

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# CIA whistleblower opens up

## NATIONAL SECURITY

### John Kirakou on Canadian intelligence, Maher Arar

A former CIA spy's eyes widen when he hears that, in Canada, the political opposition doesn't get to see or scrutinize national security intelligence files.

"You're kidding me," says John Kirakou, who's now under house arrest in Virginia after a two-year prison stay for revealing information about his former employer.

"That's shocking to me. It seems to block any chance of a national consensus on an issue that I think would be very serious. There has to be oversight."

Kirakou made the remarks during an interview in which

he described an internal controversy within the CIA over the arrest and rendition of Canadian Maher Arar to be tortured in a Syrian prison. Many colleagues protested, arguing that they were punishing an innocent man, he said. The CIA's role in the 2002-03 affair has never been publicly scrutinized.

But the fallout in Canada did include a public inquiry and a \$10-million government payout to Arar. A major recommenda-

tion from the inquiry was an overhaul of the model used to scrutinize intelligence work.

A decade later, that recommendation from the Arar inquiry has never been implemented — even as the Canadian government prepares to provide intelligence agencies with more power in its new anti-terrorism bill.

The inquiry recommended giving review bodies the power to scrutinize more than one

agency at a time — so that they could see, for instance, how CSIS and the RCMP co-operate on cases. Also, four former prime ministers recently noted the failure of reforms that would have allowed politicians from different parties to access intelligence files.

Some state secrets are necessary, he said — but they need to be shared with people who will keep the government accountable. THE CANADIAN PRESS



**Former CIA agent John Kirakou.** ALEXANDER PANETTA/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

## GENDER DIVERSITY

### I will wear pink because bullied youth are not alone



**Laureen Harper**  
For Metro

Wednesday, I will be wearing pink.

I will be wearing pink to show my support for Canadian teens across our country who have been bullied, beaten up and beaten down. Whose wounds are real, yet invisible to the human eye.

I will be wearing pink in support of tremendous Canadian organizations like the Canadian Centre for Child Protection and The Canadian Centre for Gender and Sexual Diversity, formerly Jer's Vision. Organizations that work tirelessly to combat all forms of bullying.

And I will be wearing pink to remind our young people that they are not alone. That their lives matter. That they are deeply loved.

Last year, it was my honour to wear pink and attend an International Day of Pink event hosted by Jer's Vision. The stories we heard were moving. The atmosphere in the room was electrifying. The messages of hope for those in crisis rang so loud and clear that they stayed with me long after the event was over.

We heard from brave parents who told heartbreaking stories of their teens who, out of desperation, took their lives

because they believed there was nowhere to go. We also heard from successful business people and TV personalities who shared their own stories of bullying, victimization and ultimately perseverance. Each story was infused with these messages: Youth in crisis are not alone. Everyone has the power to turn their experience from one of hate to one of hope.

Now, I recognize that it's so easy for us adults to say to our children, "It gets better" and "Hang in there". We've lived long enough to know this to be true. But, sometimes parents aren't the only people in a teen's life who need to communicate this.

Sometimes, what it takes is a classroom, or a sports team, or a school club to come together in solidarity and wear pink once a year to remind their peers in crisis that they belong. So, Wednesday, I will be wearing pink. I hope all Canadians, especially young Canadians, join me. Because one small act of kindness can help someone realize they are not alone. And one simple action can show them that they are stronger than they think.

LAUREEN HARPER, THE WIFE OF PRIME MINISTER STEPHEN HARPER, IS A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND A FEDERAL ANTI-BULLYING CAMPAIGN

## IN BRIEF

### Couple suing after finding sperm donor schizophrenic

Angela Collins and Margaret Elizabeth Hanson thought they were opting for a highly educated man with an "impressive health history" when they selected a donor from a U.S.-based sperm bank to start their family.

It was only years after the birth of their son that the Port Hope, Ont. couple learned they hadn't been

told their donor was a schizophrenic college dropout with a criminal record, they allege in a lawsuit filed in a Georgia court last week. The couple is now seeking damages for pain, suffering and financial losses as it alleges Xytex Corp. engaged in fraud, misrepresentation, negligence and battery, among other claims.

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# Duffy's defence team to attack top Tories

## EXPENSE SCANDAL

### Suspended senator facing 31 charges

Suspended senator Mike Duffy may be the one on trial, but others will also see their motives, character and actions dissected, examined and critiqued over the next several weeks inside an Ottawa courtroom.

Beginning Tuesday, Crown lawyers will lay out their fraud, breach of trust and bribery case against the former Conservative — 31 charges in total.

But so, too, will begin lawyer Donald Bayne's defence of Duffy, a counter-attack that will likely focus in part on the behaviour of key figures from the Prime Minister's Office and party circles.

The expected release of new documents and internal emails in the form of court exhibits has the capacity to breathe new life into the political scandal that consumed the House of Com-



Sen. Mike Duffy arrives to the Senate on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Oct. 28, 2013. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

mons two years ago.

A crush of media interest in the trial has prompted officials to establish an overflow room at the courthouse where several camera angles are displayed on large screens in order to accommodate journalists.

Bayne has already given a public preview of sorts of how he plans to approach the allegations. Back in October 2013, Bayne held an animated news conference to respond to the looming suspension of his client from the upper chamber. Charges were laid in

July 2014.

That spring, news broke that the prime minister's chief of staff, Nigel Wright, had secretly paid for Duffy's \$90,000 in contested living expenses.

Duffy had submitted claims for a secondary residence in the Ottawa area, even though an audit said he spent approximately 30 per cent of his time at the designated primary residence in P.E.I.

Police allege Duffy was the one setting conditions and making demands in exchange for resolving the expenses controversy — hence the bribery charge. An email dated Feb. 13, 2013, in which Duffy's previous lawyer outlined a number of scenarios and conditions, is a central document.

Bayne and Duffy have alleged it's the other way around.

"The payment of \$90,000 was not the doing of Senator Duffy," Bayne said in 2013.

"It was a political tactic forced on him by the Prime Minister's Office." THE CANADIAN PRESS

## ENVIRONMENT

### Glacial melt may affect salmon, skiing: Report

Bluebird days on the ski slopes and expeditions to rivers frothing with spawning salmon could be among the quintessential British Columbia pastimes that vanish in the next century if the province's glaciers maintain their melt.

Results of a 3D computer simulation, published in a newly released study, reveal in more detail than ever before the magnitude of glacial thawing due to climate change. The study was published Monday in the journal *Nature Geoscience*.

It confirms and goes one step further than previous projections on glacial melt, holding up a magnifying glass to specific geography in Western Canada and spurring scientific theorizing about potential localized impacts.

Researchers anticipate that by 2100, disappearing glaciers may alter how much water is delivered to salmon spawning beds in the B.C. Interior and similarly dry up corporate visions of future ski resorts, said study co-author Garry Clarke.

A near-total loss of glacial

ice is expected to be concentrated in the Rocky Mountains, said Clarke, professor emeritus with the University of British Columbia.

Similar disappearance rates are expected in B.C.'s southeastern Columbia Mountains. But the southern coast mountains may fare better than previously expected, mostly sparing the visually stunning Mount Garibaldi, north of Squamish, B.C.

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**This is not a trivial amount.**

Garry Clarke,  
study co-author

Ice caps in B.C.'s northwest, close to the Alaska and Yukon borders, should also survive.

Researchers spent nearly a decade coding and embedding influential factors into the simulation, amounting to high-resolution representations of the glacial degradation in B.C. and Alberta over the years, said Clarke.

The study projects the maximum rate of ice volume retreat to occur between 2020 and 2040.

Earlier forecasts using less sophisticated calculus predicted the glacial-mass loss would be lower. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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# Prince's swipe at selfies

## MONARCHY

### Harry begins month-long stint in the Aussie army

Britain's Prince Harry joked and chatted with an enthusiastic crowd Monday at his only scheduled public appearance during a month-long embedment with Australia's army, declaring pride in his ginger hair and telling a self-obsessed younger generation that "selfies are bad."

The British army captain reported for duty in Australia's capital, Canberra, to begin a four-week attachment to the Australian army that will take him to the east, west and north coasts of the vast nation.

But first Harry ignored rain and cool weather to shake hands and chat with cheering well-wishers who gathered to welcome him outside the Australian War Memorial.

Perhaps because of his own history of embarrassing candid photos, he was less generous with teenagers who wanted to photograph themselves with him. He drew laughs when he urged one teen admirer to break the habit of taking "selfies."

"No, I hate selfies. Seriously, you need to get out of it," Ten Network television recorded him telling the admirer.

"I know you're young, but selfies are bad," Nine Network TV recorded the prince saying.

Harry, fourth in line to the British throne — he'll move to fifth when brother Prince William's second child is born — also shook hands and gave a high-five to ginger-haired 12-year-old Ethan Toscan, who brought a banner that read "Redheads RULE!"

Like in Britain, redheads are often teased in Australia, where they are known as "rangas" — short for orangutans.

"He said that I was fabulous in making the sign and it's awesome to be a redhead," Ethan said later.

Young and old members of the public gathered at the memorial, with Harry laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier before strolling to the museum's World War I and Afghanistan galleries.



**No, I hate selfies. Seriously, you need to get out of it.**

Prince Harry to a young admirer

Harry arrived at Sydney International Airport early Monday dressed in army fatigues, and changed into a dress uniform for the memorial.

The 30-year-old veteran of two tours in Afghanistan later reported for duty to Air Chief Marshal Mark Binskin, Australia's Defence Force chief, at the nearby Australian military officers' college.

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Britain's Prince Harry laughs with fellow redheads as he meets members of the public during a visit to the Australian War Memorial in Canberra, Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## YEMEN

### Fighting intensifies on the ground

Pitched fighting intensified Monday in Yemen's second-largest city, Aden, leaving streets littered with dead bodies, as Shiite rebels and their allies waged their strongest push yet to seize control of the main bastion of supporters of their rival, the country's embattled president.

The fierce fighting in the southern port city on the Arabian Sea raises doubts over the possibility of landing ground forces from a Saudi-led coalition

backing President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi to try to carve out an enclave to which Hadi, who fled the country two weeks ago, could return.

Saudi Arabia has asked Pakistan to contribute soldiers to the military campaign, as well as air and naval assets, Pakistan's defence minister said Monday. Pakistan's parliament is debating the request and is expected to vote in coming days.

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## IN BRIEF

### Prosecutor says Boston bomber meant to punish and terrorize the US

As he planted a backpack containing a bomb just feet from a group of children, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev made a cold-hearted decision aimed at spreading terror and punishing America for its wars in Muslim countries, a federal prosecutor told jurors Monday during closing arguments at Tsarnaev's death penalty trial.

"There was nothing about this day that was a twist of fate," said Assistant

U.S. Attorney Alok Chakravarty. "This was a cold, calculated terrorist act. This was intentional. It was bloodthirsty. It was to make a point. It was to tell America that 'We will not be terrorized by you anymore. We will terrorize you.'"

Defence attorney Judy Clarke countered by arguing, as she did at the trial's outset, that Tsarnaev took part in the attack but that he did so under the malevolent influence of his now-dead older brother, Tamerlan. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## SOMALIA

### Kenyan warplanes strike al-Shabab

Kenyan warplanes bombed militant camps in Somalia, officials said Monday, following a vow by President Uhuru Kenyatta to respond "in the fiercest way possible" to a massacre of college students by al-Shabab extremists.

The airstrikes Sunday and Monday targeted the Gedo region of western Somalia, directly across the border from Kenya, said Col. David Obonyo of the Kenyan military.

The al-Shabab camps,

which were used to store arms and for logistical support, were destroyed, but it was not possible to determine the number of casualties because of poor visibility, he said.

The Somalia-based militant group claimed responsibility for Thursday's attack at Garissa University College in northeastern Kenya in which militants killed 148 people, most of them students.

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# U.S. native reservations resist marriage equality

SAME-SEX UNIONS

## Supreme Court decision would hold no sway on sovereign land

Even if a U.S. Supreme Court ruling this spring makes same-sex marriage the law, it would leave pockets of the country where it isn't likely to be recognized any time soon: the reservations of a handful of sovereign Native American tribes, including the two largest.

Since 2011, as the number of states recognizing such unions spiked to 37, at least six smaller tribes have revisited and let stand laws that define marriage as being between a man and a woman, according to a review of tribal records. In all, tribes with a total membership approaching one million bar the institution.

Several explicitly prohibit same-sex marriage. And some have even toughened their stance.

In December, just weeks after North Carolina began issuing marriage licences to same-sex couples, the state's Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians updated its law to add language preventing gay couples from having marriage ceremonies performed on tribal land.

The Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma and the Navajo Nation, with about 300,000 members each, maintain decade-old laws that don't recognize same-sex marriage. Neither tribe has shown much sign of shifting.

Alray Nelson, a gay-rights activist who lives with his partner Brennen Yonnie on the Navajo reservation, said the tribe's law denies same-sex couples the right to be included in decisions on a partner's health care or to share in a home site lease.

Getting a marriage licence would only require a short drive to a courthouse off the reservation, but the couple — both enrolled Navajo members — would rather wait until it's allowed on the reservation.

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Alray Nelson, left, and Brennen Yonnie have been advocating to have a Navajo Nation law that prohibits same-sex marriages repealed. JERRY ARCHULETA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEDIA

## Frat-rape story not accuser's fault: Dean

Rolling Stone's "shock narrative" about a culture of sex assaults at the University of Virginia was rife with bad journalistic practice, and "Jackie," the student at the centre of the story, is not to blame for the magazine's failures, Columbia Journalism School dean Steve Coll said Monday.

The magazine pledged to review its practices and removed the discredited article from its website, but publisher Jann S. Wenner said he won't fire anyone, despite the leading journalism school's blistering critique of his magazine's reporting and editing failures.

Wenner said any failures were isolated and described Jackie as "a really expert fabulist storyteller" who managed to manipulate the magazine's journalism process.

"Obviously there is something here that is untruthful, and something sits at her

doorstep," he told The New York Times.

But Coll said blaming Jackie would lead people to take the wrong lesson from this entire saga.

"The editors made judgments about attribution, fact-checking and verification that greatly increased their risks of error but had little or nothing to do with protecting Jackie's position," the report found.

University president Teresa A. Sullivan said the article hurt efforts to fight sexual violence, tarred the school's reputation and falsely accused some students "of heinous, criminal acts and falsely depicted others as indifferent to the suffering of their classmate."

Some students called for Sullivan to pursue disciplinary action against Jackie. Others worried that other women will suffer because of the magazine's failures. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



### ... a really expert fabulist storyteller ...

Publisher Jann S. Wenner on "Jackie," the anonymous source for Rolling Stone's bogus article on a fraternity's gang-rape



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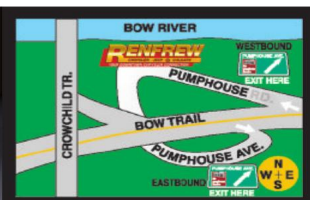
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## ECONOMY

# Oil slump dims firms' outlook: Central bank

The sting of lower oil prices has dampened the confidence of companies when it comes to future sales growth, investment and hiring, the Bank of Canada's latest business outlook has found.

The central bank's quarterly sampling of 100 representative businesses, released Monday, suggested cheaper crude had even eroded sales expectations among firms beyond the energy sector, such as those down the supply chain.

The survey, conducted between Feb. 17 and March 12, also found dimmer expectations about future investments in machinery and equipment for the coming year, particularly among companies in the goods sector and those hit hard by lower oil prices.

The influential questionnaire of senior managers also found the outlook for hiring had diminished to its lowest level since 2009.

"Hiring intentions are weaker for most sectors and regions, but especially for firms tied to the energy sector, which plan to reduce the size of their workforces in light of lower oil prices," the report said.

Expectations for hiring, sales and investment were higher in the bank's January survey, which was conducted between Nov. 17 and Dec. 11 as world oil prices plunged. Since then, crude prices have stayed low.

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**RETAIL REBRANDED FUTURE SHOP STORES REOPEN** A closed Future Shop store reopens as a Best Buy in West Vancouver, B.C., on Saturday. It's one of 65 stores that have been consolidated under the Best Buy brand. The outlets still look like Future Shop stores. However, the employees are now wearing Best Buy uniforms, Torstar News Service reports. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

**IN BRIEF**

**Cuban property not up for grabs, ambassador says**  
 Cuba's ambassador to Canada says the warming of relations with the U.S. won't open up his country to international real estate buyers. Julio Garmendia Pena says Cuba wants to keep its land for its people, even though it is open to other investment. Canada's former ambassador to Cuba, Mark Entwistle, agrees that Cubans are wary of Americans gobbling up their property. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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# Tax-free savings to double, Oliver hints

**BUDGET**  
**Increasing contribution room benefits rich, critics say**

Finance Minister Joe Oliver left no doubt in a confidential letter to fellow Conservatives that his April 21 budget will double the contribution limit for the federal government's popular tax-free savings vehicle.

The current limit for cash going into a Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA) is \$5,500 a year, and Oliver indicated the Conservatives would fulfill Prime Minister Stephen Harper's four-year-old pledge to allow Canadians to sock away more money.

Doubling the annual limit will put it at \$11,000 a year.

While popular with savers, TFSAs have prompted controversy over which segments of the population are receiving the most benefit from the plan.

In a report in February, Parliamentary Budget Officer Jean-Denis Fréchette concluded that allowing larger contributions to TFSAs will benefit well-off Canadians disproportionately.

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## CARBON PRICING

# Economists urge provinces to take lead

After years of federal inaction on carbon pricing, a group of economists is urging provinces to move forward on their own.

In a report to be released Tuesday, Canada's Ecofiscal Commission advocates for every province to establish a carbon pricing regime that is stringent, has broad coverage and plans for long-term national co-ordination.

A federal policy would be fraught with difficulties, said chair of the commission Chris Ragan, who is also an associate professor of economics at McGill University. Ragan points to the challenge in designing an approach that would work for economically diverse regions and the political problems intrinsic to having the federal government collecting all revenues from such a regime.

"Provincial action sidesteps those difficulties instantly," said Ragan. "You design the system to your own political realities. You keep the revenues and choose how those revenues will be recycled."

The commission formed last year to drive home that consideration for the environment is crucial to economic prosperity in Canada, with advisers from across the political spectrum, from Preston Manning to Jean Charest.

How to price carbon is only half the equation, Ragan says.

"The underappreciated part is the second part of an ecofiscal policy: What do you do with the revenues?"

David Paterson, vice-president of corporate and environmental affairs at GM Canada, says the company would like to see provinces invest revenue from a carbon pricing policy in new technology that would contribute to reduced emissions. Infrastructure for electric cars, such as more charging stations at workplaces and along the highway, is high on Paterson's list.

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## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

### We don't need another Jackie — rape is real

So, Rolling Stone got it wrong about Jackie.

And now that one of most salacious rape stories of recent times has been pulled from the magazine's website, it might feel like we've lost something.

Jackie (not her real name) was the centrepiece of Rolling Stone's explosive and widely criticized story of gang rape at a U.S. college fraternity.

The story has crumbled under scrutiny. In an independent investigation into how the magazine screwed up quite so horribly, Rolling Stone's journalists have now been publicly shamed.

Some worry this gives ammunition to rape deniers.

But we don't need another story of a brutal assault — another Jackie — to prove we have a rape problem.

We have data.

In Canada, one in three women will be sexually assaulted — a term that includes rape. That's a statistic I've been aware of for at least a decade. There are also an estimated 460,000 sexual assaults in this country every year.

The CBC recently compiled statistics of rape on Canadian campuses — 700 reported over the last five years. It quoted experts who suggest that's only a fraction of the real number.

We also have high-profile cases of the kind that are supposed to spur change.

There's Rehtaeh Parsons, and more recently Rinelle Harper. There are also the six women who accuse Jian Ghomeshi of sexual assault.

Yet, we still seem to be on the hunt for that final, horrifying story. One placed so squarely in our own culture, in our own lives, on our own campuses, that we have to admit rape is our problem to solve.

The investigation into Rolling Stone's reporting found that the magazine's reporter and editors chose Jackie's story because it was so extreme.

Rolling Stone's reporter and editors also claim their empathy got the best of them.

On some level, I'd argue they wanted Jackie's story to be true, perhaps so it would cause so much outrage that change would have to follow.

But there is no silver bullet.

"How many more stories do we have to hear to know that this is a serious epidemic in Canada?" Farrah Khan, an anti-violence against women activist, asked me.

Yes, it's important to report on sexual assault, to tell the stories of survivors. But statically, you already know many of them. You shouldn't need to look into every single one of their faces before deciding to act.

I don't need to hear about another Jackie to know we have a problem.

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# Can you legally file for divorce on Facebook?

**If you got married in New York, the answer might be yes. A Supreme Court Justice in Manhattan told Ellanora Baidoo she could use Facebook messenger to serve papers to her hard-to-reach husband. The couple got married in a civil ceremony, but agreed to wait until they had a traditional wedding before consummating the marriage, which never happened. Baidoo says she doesn't know where her husband lives and they communicate only on the phone and over Facebook.**

# Senior-friendly Calgary will benefit everyone

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Kimberly Jones



Generally speaking, Calgary is a fairly young city.

Still, the city estimates that from 2011 to 2021, the senior population is expected to grow by 56 per cent. By 2026, it's expected that one in six of us will be seniors.

How will our city be for these older Calgarians? Have we planned to ensure our seniors can live happy and productive lives as they age and their needs and wants change?

The city is currently working on an age-friendly strategy to answer those questions and understand the impact the coming demographic change will have on the social, eco-

nomic and environmental sustainability of the city.

According to Raynell McDonough, strategist at the City of Calgary, focus areas will include transportation and mobility, participation and inclusion, and community support and health.

Transportation is an important part of this strategy because our system, which for decades has focused on driving for almost every trip, is not set up well for an aging population.

Seniors have few options, besides driving or being driven. They must deal with inadequate sidewalks, lighting and snow-and-ice clearing, making it difficult for them to get around. The lack of options can lead to a loss of freedom, a sense of isolation, deteriorating health due to inactivity, and even the inability for sen-

iors to meet their daily needs.

The lack of transportation options also can encourage people to drive long after their vision or reflexes have waned. According to Statistics Canada, drivers over the age of 70 have a higher accident rate per kilometre than any other demographic but young male drivers.

I know that due in part to a lack of options, my grandpa drove past an age at which he felt comfortable doing so.

An age-friendly transportation system would include one where seniors can walk and/or take transit to get to the grocery store, to a community centre, to meet friends, or to go to the library. If daily tasks and activities can be completed independently, older people will be able to remain active members of the community.

Making a great city for seniors will make it good for all ages, including young people who don't yet drive and those with mobility challenges.

An age-friendly city not only aids those in need today, but it reinforces early habits that can last a lifetime.

Ultimately, we'll all age and have these same wants, needs and challenges.

Our seniors have given this city so much and they want to continue taking part in the city. We owe them the best city possible, and will all benefit from planning for them in mind.

**Kimberly Jones** has lived in Calgary for 35 years. She's a transportation advocate, particularly interested in walking and public transit, and studies urban issues and planning.

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# What to eat, see and do at Coachella '15

INDIO, CALIF.

**Just make sure you leave your selfie stick at home this year**

Thousands of music lovers will be putting the final touches on their show schedule, camping gear — and no doubt, outfits — before the first weekend of this year's Coachella Festival, which starts April 10 and has performances by AC/DC, Jack White and Drake among its highlights.

The Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival has become increasingly genre-bending over the years, starting out with mainly indie fare and growing to encompass rock, hip hop and dance music. Other top acts due to play include Tame Impala, Steely Dan, Belle and Sebastian, Hozier, Florence and the Machine and David Guetta.

Indio, Calif. will host the first round of visitors April 10-12, with a second weekend running from April 17-19.

Those not lucky enough to find themselves in the California desert (passes are no longer available) will still have a chance to hear the music. The first weekend's performances will be streamed live on YouTube.

As for the legions who are making the trek, those increasingly pampered festival-goers



There's always plenty of spectacle at Coachella. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

will not want for much: Free public Wi-Fi will be available in beer gardens and VIP areas, and an updated mobile app will help with navigation, scheduling and catching shuttles.

Dining options are not your average campground fare — choices include Dinner in the Rose Garden, a four-course meal for \$225 per person — nor are the furnished on-site "safari tents," available at \$7,000 for two.

Fashion has always been a key component of Coachella,

and this year a co-branded clothing line has been created especially for the event. H&M Loves Coachella's boho pieces are to be sold at a pop-up store on site as well as in H&M stores and online.

Instagram will no doubt be cluttered with Coachella pictures over the next two weeks, but leave the selfie stick at home: Coachella's official rules prohibit the use of the gadgets — more specifically, "selfie sticks/narsisitics."

Visitors have come to expect large-scale sculptures and in-

stallations to cover the festival grounds. A list of contributing artists is included on the festival poster, but details remain under wraps, although a forum reveals works by the artists to give a sense of what could be in store.

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**A '14 Coachella attendee sporting festival gear that inspired this year's trends.**

STYLE

## Look festival chic on or off the field

The season's music festivals, starting with Coachella, are clearly influencing spring and summer ready-to-wear.



Sunglasses from the Katy Perry Forever Festival collection by Claire's

Multiple brands have drawn inspiration from the rock, hippie and boho looks seen in the crowds to produce collections with fringe, lace, mini-shorts and denim. These are some of the defining characteristics of the current festival-inspired fashion trend. The looks range from ultra-sexy to subtle, and there are plenty of opportunities for accessorizing thanks to a wide array of hats, bags, flat lace-up sandals and colourful round sunglasses.

Swedish retail giant H&M led the charge this year with H&M Loves Coachella, its first official collection co-branded with the celebrity-studded Coachella. Mango and Forever 21 are also on board with the trend. AFP

### + FLOWER POWER

**Flowers are hard to miss in the spring-summer 2015 women's collections, and they come in all shapes and sizes this season.**

Floral motifs were seen at Christian Dior, Chanel and Manish Arora. The showy, oversized prints of 2014 have given way to more discreet florals this year, seen mainly in prints and delicate embroidery.

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# May we cut in? A dance with Milky Chance

## ON TOUR

### Duo first shot to fame with their Stolen Dance video

**Emily Laurence**  
Metro | New York City

It's been one year since best buds Clemens Rehbein and Philipp Dausch uploaded their song Stolen Dance to YouTube — the video now has over 131 million views and the song is on constant rotation on Top 40 radio.

The duo is currently touring North America and will be hitting the festival circuit here and abroad in the summer. With a first stop at Ottawa's Bluesfest, the German musicians will also perform at Osheaga in Montreal and the Squamish Valley Music Festival in B.C.

One thing's for sure: The

party's not stopping anytime soon.

#### **Skiping school and jamming out**

Rehbein and Dausch met in high school, when they bonded over liking the same type of music.

"We didn't like school much," Rehbein says. "We started jamming instead of going to math class. I think our other classmates would (describe us as) the most crazy guys who would just enjoy their easy way of living instead of being a student."

It's been a crazy three years for Rehbein and Dausch as they've grown in popularity and started touring all over the world, and it's only strengthened their friendship.

"We shared a hotel room a lot of the time, so we started knowing each other really well," Rehbein says.

Not to mention all the crazy festivals and shows around the

world. "We share a lot of memories," Rehbein says.

#### **Influenced by the club scene**

Blending pop with electronica is part of what sets Milky Chance apart. Rehbein says they're greatly influenced by the electronica scene in Germany.

"The electronica scene in Germany is really good and it did and does influence our music," he says.

"If you grow up having parties in your (apartment) with your friends and listening to this type of music, it will influence you," Rehbein says. Going clubbing in France and Germany played a part in developing their sound, too, he says.

#### **Giving fans the power**

Despite being tuned in to the European music scene, the guys have always written their songs in English.



**I feel like the people made the choice for this song to be the single, not us**

Clemens Rehbein

"We just always listened to English music, so it was more natural for us," Rehbein says.

The guys experimented by loading three songs to YouTube: Flashed Junk Mind, Down By The River and Stolen Dance. Three weeks later, Stolen Dance had racked up a crazy amount of hits.

"I feel like the people made the choice for this song to be the single, not us," Rehbein says.

**Philipp Dausch and Clemens Rehbein of Milky Chance.**

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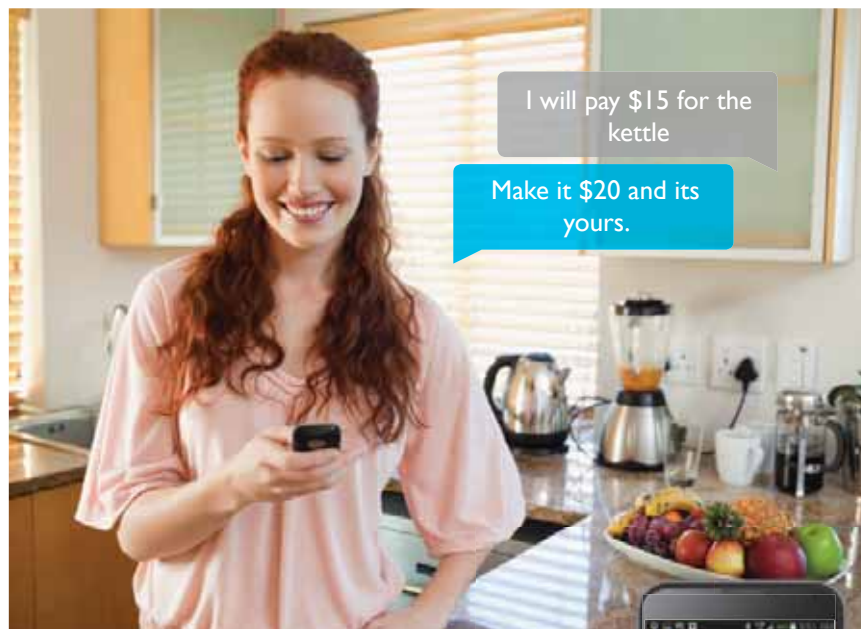
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# Jose Gonzalez embraces his dark side

## MUSIC

### Singer adopts a more sinister outlook on his new album

**Linda Laban**  
Metro | New York City

After two albums with his long-time band Junip, Swedish indie folk artist Jose Gonzalez returns to his more familiar guise for a third solo album, *Vestiges & Claws* (released on Mute Records in February).

*Vestiges & Claws* has the same thoughtful and haunting sound Gonzalez is known for from his first two albums — a hushed mix of veiled thought and firmly picked notes. This time, however, he coloured his musical palette a few shades darker.

#### Trying something new

“Ever since '98 and '99 when I started writing these types of songs, I felt like I had found a style I was comfortable with,”



Swedish singer-songwriter Jose Gonzalez. GETTY IMAGES

Gonzalez says quietly over a crackling phone connection to his home in Gothenburg.

“I was playing acoustic guitar and singing, but I had not found a way to have some darker elements in the music and the lyrics.”

He describes the songs on the new album as childlike at first and then passive-aggressive. “To me, it gives a sinister impression,” he says.

#### It's not all about him

Instead of using the song-writing process as a time of self-reflection, Gonzalez says he looked outward, writing about humanity as a whole.

“In general, I always try to find (as wide a) view as possible,” he says. “That becomes more interesting to me (when a song) doesn't just have one meaning. I love it when a lyric doesn't feel specific to me.”

Despite the album's dark themes, influenced in part by the barrage of gruesome world news, Gonzalez says he still feels pretty positive about the state of society today.

“Violence is just one feeling you get from watching the news. But if you look at

## + FUN MOMENT

### When Ben Stiller calls, you pick up

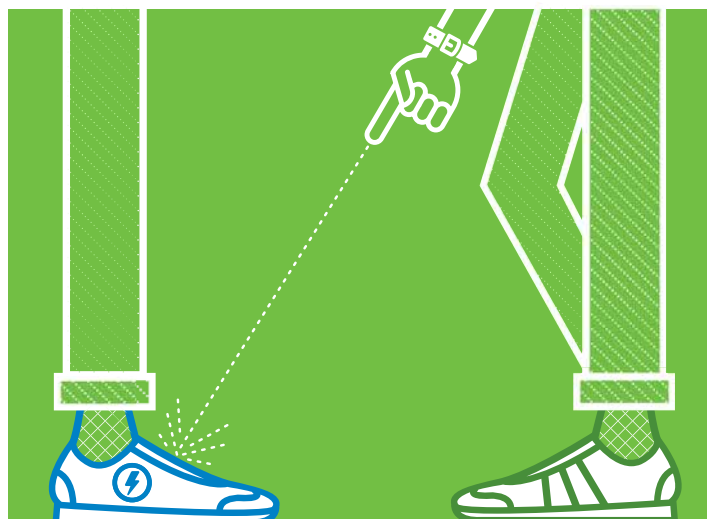
Gonzalez seems like a serious kind of guy, but he admits he's a Ben Stiller fan. So when the comedian, actor, and director contacted Gonzalez and asked him to curate music to Stiller's 2013 remake of *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty*, he absolutely took the call.

“That was a wow moment,” Gonzalez chuckles.

“When my manager mentioned that Ben Stiller wanted to call me I was like ‘What?’ Then I got the script and read it and started to prepare, and see what I could do. When Ben called, that was quite a moment for me.”

global statistics and a wider time frame, it isn't so bad ... I'm optimistic about specific parts. ... But if you're just watching the news, then it doesn't look so good.”

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**MUSIC NOTES****A century on, Billie Holiday celebrated for her activism**

Billie Holiday died with just \$50 to her name taped to her thigh, but on the 100th anniversary of her birth, the jazz legend is enjoying a renaissance as a trailblazer for generations of singers.

When her body gave way at age 44 in 1959, she was under arrest in her hospital bed for possessing narcotics and her savings consisted of the \$50 slipped by a reporter who

wanted a deathbed interview.

But on the centennial of her birth today, a more complete picture of Holiday is emerging as artists acknowledge her foibles, yet hail her for both her ineffable voice and stance against racism.

In 1939, Holiday debuted one of musical history's great protest songs, *Strange Fruit*, a searing denunciation of the lynchings of African-Americans in the Deep South. The Apollo, the racially integrated



Billie Holiday AFP FILE

jazz venue in Harlem, was one of the few places where Holiday could perform late in her career, along with Carnegie Hall, as a new cabaret licensing system shut her out of most clubs on account of her character.

To celebrate the centennial, Columbia has put out *The Centennial Collection*, a CD with 20 of Holiday's most influential songs including *Summertime*, *All of Me* and *Strange Fruit*. AFP

**REMEMBERING****Even rock stars can forget song lyrics**

**A teleprompter-style display helps Aerosmith remember words to songs they've sung thousands of times.** GETTY IMAGES

**SOUND CHECK**

**Alan Cross**



level drum kit. Guitars were handled by Darren, a dead ringer for Eddie Van Halen. And on bass and most lead vocals was my friend Charlie.

Charlie was the most unlikely frontman anyone had ever seen. The only way he could get up in front of a crowd was to bash back a triple-rye-and-coke before going onstage and removing his glasses so he couldn't see the audience. And to make sure he didn't screw up, he had his notebook full of lyrics on a stand next to him for easy reference.

As the singer, Charlie was in charge of transcribing all the lyrics for the songs we played. Flipping through his notebook before one show, I chanced on what he'd written for our Van Halen-style take on the Kinks' *You Really Got Me*.

*Girl, you really got me  
You got me so I don't know what I'm doing.*

So far, so good. But then they continued:

*Girl, you really got me now  
You got me so I don't know what you weigh.*

Charlie must have sung those words a thousand times and no one ever called him on it.

I bring up this story because Charlie passed away after a six-week fight with pancreatic cancer last week. He left his friends with many, many great stories.

Billy Idol was in the middle of *White Wedding* when he accidentally switched to a verse from *Rebel Yell*. U2 fans have seen Bono try to ad lib his way out of singing flubs. Aerosmith has a teleprompter-type screen to help them through a show. You might know that AC/DC had the lyrics to their new single, *Let's Play Ball*, running on a giant video screen when they opened the Grammy Awards earlier this year.

And when Frank Sinatra was in his later years, Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gormé lurked with him onstage not only to provide backup vocals, but to gently help Frank segue into his next lines when the words didn't come.

Even the most experienced singers sometimes forget the words to songs they wrote and performed a million times. It happens.

This brings me to my days of playing in a meathead-level power trio. I forget what we were called, but we bar-banded our way through songs like *Smoke on the Water*, CCR's *Proud Mary* and Billy Squire's *Everybody Wants You*.

I was at the back with my stupidly oversized Neil Peart-



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# Japan's silver set find their mojo

SEX

## An aging population is demanding more wrinkles in their porn

Dressed in a kimono and kneeling silently on a tatami mat floor, 61-year-old Yasue Tomita looks as if she might be about to perform a Japanese tea ceremony. Instead she's debuting as a porn actress.

Fluttering her eyelashes demurely as the cameras prepare to roll, Tomita is proof that in Japan's greying society, you're never too old to chase your dreams, however racy or unorthodox.

She has also become part of a flourishing niche market in Japan: "silver porn" — stretching the limits of eroticism among the elderly and overturning social norms in a country where people are expected to grow old gracefully.

Love isn't confined to the young, either, say Japan's growing army of pensioners exploring their desires in more conventional ways, with dating agencies for the elderly reporting increasingly brisk business.

Tomita confessed to being "a bit rusty," but made no apologies for her rambunctious lust for life, or her decision to put aside her knitting and crochet and launch into a career making X-rated movies.

"I like my handicrafts, but I wanted to try my hand at this, while my body still works," she said in an interview before film-



Yasue Tomita, 61, makes her debut as a porn actress. She's cashing in on the gerontification of porn in Japan. AFP FILE

ing began.

"I do like sex, and this is my last chance before I get too old. I'm very nervous. I wonder if I should really do it, especially in front of so many people, but everyone should follow their dream.

"I just hope I can keep up," added Tomita, who used to work in a factory manufacturing car parts and registered for an agency in Japan's booming "adult video" (AV) industry with her daughter.

"We applied through the Internet together. I got offered a job first, which surprised her a bit."

In aging Japan, around 32 million people — a quarter of the population — are 65 or over. Thanks to a low birthrate and

growing longevity, that proportion is expected to rise to 40 per cent by 2060.

With statistics like that, it's no surprise that geronto-porn is big business.

Adult movies rake in about \$20 billion a year, and those featuring unashamedly wrinkly men and women account for between 20 and 30 per cent of that market, industry insiders say. Sales have rocketed over the past decade as more of Japan's perky seniors celebrate their mojo.

Though not for the faint-hearted, the genre took off thanks largely to now-80-year-old Shigeo Tokuda, the twinkletoe king of granddad porn, who has peeled off for hundreds of

hardcore flicks with titles such as Forbidden Elderly Care and Manic Training of Lolitas.

Pornography became widely available in Japan in the 1900s, with 17th-century Edo-era wood-

block erotic prints being many people's first introduction to the genre.

Attitudes towards sex are less prudish than in other parts of the world and fun-loving fertil-

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AFP

ity festivals, where giant wooden phalluses are joyfully carried around towns, take place annually in parts of Japan.

"Everyone has different sexual tastes or fetishes," said director Fumiaki Kimura. "Elderly porn has become very popular over the past 10 years or so. Older couples watch together because they can feel a connection, a sense of closeness or familiarity, being the same age."

Natsuko Kayama, 44, a porn star with 25 years' experience in the industry, said she wanted to outlast the oldest swingers in town. "I'd love to be the oldest AV actress," she laughed. "I want to break the record if I can — if I last that long." AFP

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A Canadian study finds the danger of suicide can persist for years. ISTOCK

## Risk of suicide rises after first attempt

### STUDY

### Researchers urge followup with patients

The risk of suicide not only rises dramatically after an initial attempt but can persist for many years, a Canadian study has found, suggesting a need for long-term monitoring of patients to prevent them from later taking their own lives.

In what is said to be the largest study of its kind, Toronto researchers found the risk of suicide following an initial attempt — in this case, non-fatal self-poisoning — was 42 times higher than that of the general population.

Researchers tracked every person who visited a hospital emergency department in Ontario for self-poisoning between April 2002 and December 2010. They identified 65,784 children and adults who survived the

suicide attempt, including almost 18,500 teenagers.

Of the 65,000-plus patients discharged after a self-poisoning episode — the most common way of trying to take one's own life — 4,176 individuals died during the followup study period, 976 of them by suicide.

"I think the key message is that patients at all ages — both teenagers and adults — who present to hospital with a first episode of intentional self-poisoning are at a significantly increased risk of suicide over the ensuing decade," said Dr. Yaron Finkelstein, lead author of the study published Wednesday in the journal JAMA Psychiatry.

"About 99 per cent of those who reach hospital alive are surviving," said Finkelstein, an emergency room physician at the Hospital for Sick Children. "And that is the opportunity to identify them and implement prevention for subsequent attempts."

"Most individuals who even-

### + IN THE NEWS

#### Germanwings tragedy

Suicide risk and prevention have been much discussed topics since a Germanwings co-pilot apparently slammed the Airbus A320 he was flying into a mountain in the French Alps on March 24, killing all 150 aboard. It's not known if Andreas Lubitz had previously attempted suicide, but authorities say the 27-year-old had received psychotherapy before obtaining his pilot's licence and his medical records referred to "suicidal tendencies."

tually died by suicide used more violent methods on subsequent attempts, and only seven per cent of them reached hospital alive."

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### TRANSPLANT

## Riding bikes thanks to artificial heart

A man who in August became the second person in France to receive a much-hyped new-generation artificial heart said in his first interview Sunday he had "recovered," to the point of going on bike rides.

The 69-year-old man, who wishes to remain anonymous, was terminally ill with a heart condition when he received the transplant exactly eight months ago in the western city of Nantes.

The transplant is part of a key trial for a much-discussed artificial heart created by French firm Carmat.

The first recipient — 76-year-old Claude Dany — died in March last year, 10 weeks after receiving the experimental device.

But the second patient has fared much better. He was sent home at the beginning of the year, and said Sunday in his first interview since his operation that he had "recovered" and resumed his normal life.

The artificial heart uses soft "biomaterials" intended to lessen the risk of blood clots and rejection by the immune system. AFP



France's second artificial heart recipient says he has recovered. SHUTTERSTOCK



# Sweet solution for single-serve coffee

## TECHNOLOGY

### Concerns about waste inspire creative designs

A creative sugar-based concept by Singaporean designer Eason Chow addresses the issue of waste produced by single-use coffee pods while infusing a little sweetness in every cup.

Single-serve coffee machines — Keurig, Nespresso, etc. — are in high demand, but the ecological effects of their disposable pods are the focus of much stress among coffee lovers.

Chow's proposed solution? The Droops coffee maker, which would use pods coated in a hard casing of sugar that could be tailored to the drinker's taste, using more or less sugar and infusing flavours as desired. Inside would be a layer of cream or milk, with the coffee powder in the centre like a traditional capsule.

The design of the coffee maker itself is minimalist, with an approach intended to be non-intimidating. Three components — a heater, a three-litre water container and a pump — stack together into a compact form.

Chow's design remains in the conceptual phase for now, although he told Relaxnews that he was "definitely looking into the possibility to develop the design."

In the meantime, what's a coffee-pod lover to do?

Concerns about waste have inspired several innovations, with Chow's perhaps the most creative to date.



**The Droops Coffee Maker concept by Singaporean designer Eason Chow uses pods coated in a hard casing of sugar.** DROOPS

Even John Sylvan, inventor of the popular Keurig K-Cup, expressed regret over his invention in an interview with The Atlantic this month and said he had dreamed up an idea for a more environmentally friendly version, although the company has yet to put it into action.

Keurig loyalists will be pleased to know that the company has pledged to shift to a recyclable format for its K-Cups by 2020,

and many brands have created workarounds for the Keurig machine.

Nespresso collects used capsules for recycling, and Senseo's pods are biodegradable.

But less waste doesn't mean zero waste, so those who want the benefits of the capsule system without the ecological drawbacks may have to look to creative designs like Chow's for new ways to get their daily brew. AFP

## SCIENCE

### Coffee has more perks than thought for brain, body

Long viewed as a controversial dark substance, coffee is gaining ground among medical experts who say it can protect against heart disease, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's and diabetes, even if it is decaffeinated.

Multiple studies published worldwide in recent years have concluded that coffee can be good for the health.

In February, the U.S. government issued new dietary guidelines, as it does every five years. But this year's recommendations said for the first time that coffee is not generally harmful, even multiple cups per day.

"We looked at all the science," said Miriam Nelson, a professor in the School of Nu-



**A cup of joe could boost your body's defences.**

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trition Science and Policy at Tufts University, and a member of the committee that wrote the guidelines.

"We have found no negative, adverse effects on health when you drink up to three to

five cups a day," she told AFP.

"In fact, there is a decreased risk of cardiovascular disease, Type 2 diabetes, Parkinson's disease and a couple of cancers," including breast and prostate cancer, she said.

She said a "moderate amount" would max out at 500 milligrams of caffeine per day.

Researchers do not yet understand the reason for coffee's health benefits.

That's why Tom Brenna, another member of the advisory group that wrote the new guidelines, urged some caution.

"Implying that coffee is going to cure cancer is not a very good thing to do," said Brenna, a professor of nutrition and chemistry at Cornell University. AFP

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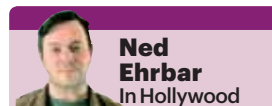


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**FKA Twigs, Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart.** ALL PHOTOS GETTY

# Kristen isn't thrilled about engagement



Kristen Stewart is reportedly really, really angry about FKA Twigs getting engaged to Stewart's former *Twilight* boyfriend, Robert Pattinson — even

if Stewart herself may be claiming otherwise.

"She is really pissed off over Rob getting engaged to FKA Twigs after knowing her for only a couple of months. She is saying she really does not care at all about this, but everyone knows that is not the case," a source tells Radar Online.

"Kristen was with Rob for

several years and he never gave her the option of marriage. Every time she tried to bring it up, he would always shoot her down and say he was not ready. The fact that he was all of a sudden ready just really annoys her."

And hell hath no fury like an ex-girlfriend annoyed. Or something.

## CELEBRITY PARENTING

## Bruce Jenner is not a Bieber fan

Kids these days. Bruce Jenner is reportedly having trouble coming to grips with 17-year-old daughter Kendall Jenner spending so much time with pal Justin Bieber — and honestly, can you blame him?

"Bruce adores Kendall and never approved of her hanging out with Bieber, so the fact she's now spending so much time with him has sent him into orbit," a source tells

Radar Online.

"Kendall's extremely strong-willed and she's not listening to anyone about this, even her dad."

Jenner has “tried everything, from sending emails and Facebook messages to confronting her about it in person,” the source adds, but nothing is working. The power of the Biebs is just that strong.



### Kendall Jenner and Kourtney Kardashian

## TELEVISION

## Twin Peaks reboot not dead yet

Showtime is expressing hope of salvaging an updated version of *Twin Peaks* after its co-creator, David Lynch, announced he is leaving the project.

The network said it was “saddened” by Lynch’s statement but still hopes to resurrect *Twin Peaks* with both Lynch and his co-creator, Mark Frost, on board.

The reboot of the eerie 1990-91 ABC thriller was announced by Showtime last fall. Lynch

and Frost were set to be back to write the new series, with Lynch slated to direct all nine episodes. But Sunday on Twitter, Lynch declared that after 16 months of negotiations Showtime still had not approved a budget that he considered sufficient.

Showtime responded that it believed it had been making progress with him on "the few remaining deal points."

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## David Lynch



# Flames in fight to finish to end playoff drought

## NHL Final three games against Coyotes, Kings and Jets

The Calgary Flames enter the home stretch of their race to the NHL playoffs intent on keeping the lightning firmly in the bottle.

It seemed improbable that a team in the second year of a rebuild, and one that lost captain and Norris Trophy candidate Mark Giordano with 21 games to go, would be in the playoff hunt.

But the Flames continue to exceed the moderate expectations of them this season. With three games remaining in the regular season, Calgary remains positioned to end a five-year-playoff drought.

And it's somehow fitting that a team that built a reputation for third-period comebacks will draw on those reserves for a hard finishing kick to the NHL wire this weekend.

The Flames finish out the regular season against the two clubs threatening to beat them out of a playoff berth — the Los Angeles Kings at home on Thursday and the Winnipeg Jets on the road Saturday.

"I don't know who made the schedule, but this guy has a flare



The Flames' Dennis Wideman, left, shoots past the Blues' Steve Ott on Thursday in St. Louis. The Flames have won three of their last four games. JEFF ROBERSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

for drama," Flames coach Bob Hartley said Monday following practice.

Calgary (43-29-7) is battling the Kings for third in the Pacific Division, as well as Winnipeg for the last wild-card berth in the Western Conference. The Kings and Jets both had a game in hand on Calgary but both played

**"The big goal is to make the playoffs. To do that, I've got to play at my best. Everybody has to."**

Jonas Hiller

Monday night. The Flames are aware of the stakes in their last two games of the season, but there is also the matter of hosting the Arizona Coyotes on Tuesday.

Teams out of the playoff race can impact those still in it. A 3-2 shootout decision to the also-ran Toronto Maple Leafs on Sunday

## + BACKUP

Calgary has called up Brad Thiessen from Adirondack to back up Jonas Hiller.

dealt a blow to the playoff prospects of the Ottawa Senators in the Eastern Conference.

"The media is talking about the last two games, but we as a group, we're really focused on this (Arizona) game because we know they're a dangerous group," Flames defenceman Kris Russell said.

"We've got to be at our best this last week. We have a lot of guys in here who have been playing really well. We need that to continue."

After working with a tandem of Jonas Hiller and Karri Ramo during the season, Hiller is Calgary's starter for the foreseeable future.

Ramo is said to be day-to-day with a lower-body injury suffered Saturday in Edmonton. The Finn appeared to pull a muscle in his leg in the first minute. Hiller made 27 saves in relief for the 4-1 win.

"I had stretches where I played a lot and stretches where I played a little less," Hiller said. "It's kind of nice to have a stretch coming up hopefully, but at the same time take it game by game. I really hope I can help the team."

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## IN MINNESOTA

## Jets shut out Wild

Blake Wheeler and Drew Stafford scored, Ondrej Pavelec made 32 saves and the Winnipeg Jets gave their playoff push a big boost with a 2-0 victory over Minnesota on Monday, preventing the Wild from clinching a wild-card spot.

The Wild stayed stuck on 96 points after their first loss by more than one goal in 34 games since Jan. 19. They must finish the regular season on the road, where they've won 10 straight games to set a franchise record, with visits to Central Division rivals Chicago, Nashville and St. Louis.

The Jets reached 94 points, keeping the pressure on not only the Wild but the Pacific Division teams that haven't secured one of the three playoff berths on the other side of the rugged Western Conference.

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Wild defenceman Matt Dumba, front, and Jets forward Drew Stafford battle for the puck in St. Paul, Minn., Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



**NCAA BASKETBALL BLUE DEVILS WIN 5TH NATIONAL TITLE** Wisconsin's Frank Kaminsky goes up for a basket against Duke's Jahliel Okafor during the national title game on Monday in Indianapolis. Tyus Jones scored 23 points and Duke captured its fifth championship with a 68-63 win. CHRIS STEPIG/POOL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## PGA

## All eyes on Tiger at practice round

Tiger Woods arrived later than usual Monday for a Masters that is different from all the others he has played.

No one was sure what to expect from him.

Woods offered a quick glimpse that it could be just about anything. He hooked his tee shot so far left that it nearly went into the ninth fairway. And then he hit a shot to about six feet and rolled in the putt for birdie.

"I felt like I had to get my game into a spot where I felt I



Tiger Woods GETTY IMAGES

could compete to win a golf tournament and it's finally there," Woods said after playing 11 holes. He played the front nine with Mark O'Meara, then

the 10th and 18th holes before darkness.

The tournament begins Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## COURT

## Testimony ends in Hernandez trial

Testimony in the murder trial of former New England Patriots player Aaron Hernandez ended Monday after the defence called just three witnesses and rested its case in a single day.

Superior Court Judge Susan Garsh told jurors they had heard all the evidence they would hear, and that they were due in court Tuesday morning to hear closing arguments and receive instructions.

Hernandez has pleaded not guilty in the June 17, 2013,

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The number of witnesses the prosecution called up during the more than two-month-long trial.

killing of Odin Lloyd, who was shot six times at an industrial park less than a mile from Hernandez's home in North Attleborough. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



# Jays start season with bang

MLB

## Martin, Travis spur Toronto to season-opening win over Yanks

The Toronto Blue Jays gave Canadian catcher Russell Martin the second-largest contract in franchise history to help bolster a potent lineup and give the young pitching staff a steady guide.

One game into the new season, the deal is looking pretty good for the team with the longest playoff drought in baseball.

Martin singled in two runs and Edwin Encarnacion hit a two-run homer off Masahiro Tanaka as the Blue Jays beat the New York Yankees 6-1 Monday in Alex Rodriguez's return to the major leagues.

"Martin got it started," manager John Gibbons said. "A lot of good things happened."

Without retired Derek Jeter in the lineup, a restless opening-day crowd at Yankee Stadium reserved one of its only cheers for Rodriguez in his first game back from a year-long drug sus-

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pension. Batting seventh, his lowest spot in a regular-season game since he batted eighth in 1996, A-Rod singled, walked, and lined out.

Drew Hutchison, at 24 the youngest opening-day starter in Blue Jays history, held the Yankees hitless until Brian McCann laced a ball just inside the first base line for a single with two outs in the fourth.

Hutchison (1-0) allowed three hits, including Brett Gardner's homer in the sixth inning, to help Toronto improve to 20-19 in openers, including 1-2 vs. the Yankees.

"I was extremely excited," Hutchison said. "It was a big day, overall."

Last July, Hutchison helped the Blue Jays snap another skid against New York: A 17-game losing streak in the Bronx.

Now, he hopes to help Toronto return to the post-season for first time since winning the



Toronto catcher Russell Martin, left, celebrates with second baseman Devon Travis after the Blue Jays' win over the Yankees on Monday in New York. KATHY WILLENS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World Series in 1993.

Martin, an ex-Yankee from Chelsea, Que., hit a single in a five-run third inning against

Tanaka (0-1). Devon Travis homered later in the game for his first career hit, taking a speedy turn around the bases.

Travis is the first Jay since J.P. Arencibia to homer for his first major-league hit.

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## IN BRIEF

### King Felix continues reign on opening day

Felix Hernandez struck out 10 and allowed only two hits over seven innings, Seth Smith had three extra-base hits and two RBIs in his Seattle debut and the Mariners beat the Los Angeles Angels 4-1 on Monday.

Hernandez improved to 6-0 in opening-day starts.

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### Price, Tigers off to roaring start to season

David Price left no doubt about his worthiness as Detroit's opening-day starter, coming within one out of a shutout in the Tigers' 4-0 victory over the Minnesota Twins on Monday. He was pulled with two on and two out in the ninth.

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### Braun suffers strain

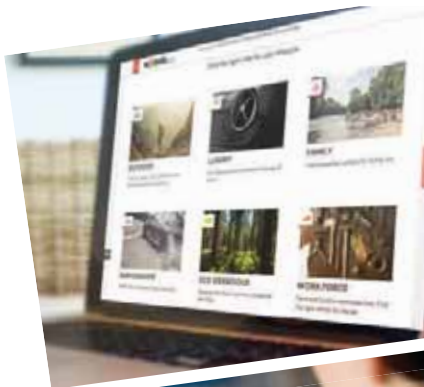
Ryan Braun left Milwaukee's season-opening 10-0 loss to Colorado with a strain on his right side.

The injury occurred in the fourth inning Monday when Braun crashed into the right-field wall while catching Justin Morneau's drive.

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EPL

## Palace pushes City from title race

Manchester City fell further out of title contention by losing 2-1 to Crystal Palace in the Premier League on Monday, dropping to fourth in the standings and all but surrendering its championship defence.

Glen Murray and Jason Puncheon put Alan Pardew's men 2-0 ahead by the 48th minute despite City controlling 74 per cent of possession at Selhurst Park. Yaya Toure pulled one back with a fierce shot in the 78th but the defending champions fell short of a comeback and are now nine points behind leader Chelsea, which also has a game in hand. "We are not talking about the title, only about winning our games," City manager Manuel Pellegrini said. "We will see at the end of the season which team has the most points."

City dropped below both Ar-



A dejected David Silva after City's loss. GETTY IMAGES

senal and Manchester United, which it faces next weekend, but is still seven points above fifth-place Liverpool. Palace is virtually assured of staying up after reaching 39 points with seven rounds to go, sitting in 11th place. "For us it was a huge night," Palace manager Pardew

said. "We didn't see enough of the ball really ... but diligence, character, resilience was enough just to see us home."

Palace's opener came against the run of play in the 34th minute as Joe Ledley headed down a cross toward Scott Dann, whose shot was blocked by goalkeeper Joe Hart but fell for Murray to tap in at the far post. There was no arguing about the second goal as Puncheon lifted a free kick over the wall to beat the goalkeeper at the near post.

Toure finally provided a breakthrough when he controlled the ball just inside the right edge of the area and unleashed a hard shot into the far corner, but Pellegrini's team couldn't prevent a third loss in its last five games. It probably can't prevent Chelsea from winning the title, either.

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My family devoured this eight-layered dip! I love to serve it before a meal with warm pita bread cut into wedges.

#### Directions

1. Spread the hummus over a serving plate. Sprinkle with spinach, cucumber, both tomatoes, onion, feta and olives. Serve with pita bread or crackers.

#### Ingredients

• 1 (10 oz) container of

store-bought hummus

- 1/2 cup baby spinach, chopped
- 1/2 cup diced cucumber
- 1/2 cup diced tomatoes
- 1/3 cup rehydrated sun-dried tomatoes, chopped
- 3 Tbsp chopped red onion
- 1/4 cup crumbled feta cheese
- 3 Tbsp chopped black olives
- 1 large pita bread — warmed and cut into wedges (optional)

#### Nutrition per serving

- Calories 184
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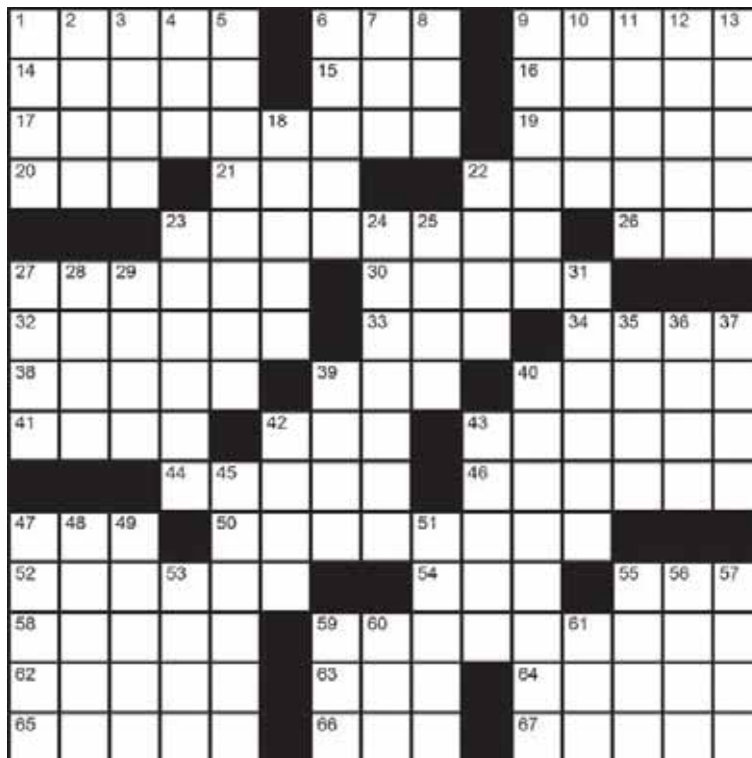
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**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
You will go over the top and say something excessive today but as you're an Aries people tend to expect it of you. Just make sure you aim your barbed comments at people who can speak up and stand up for themselves.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
You may be tempted to give up on something that is not working out the way you expected but is that wise? The planets urge you to stick with it a while longer because a breakthrough is imminent.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Avoid getting involved in disputes that have nothing to do with you. Some of your friends may get angry that you are not prepared to stick up for them but if you take

their side today every other side will be against you tomorrow.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
You will be tempted to place your trust in a stranger who says the right things, but that does not mean you are doing the right thing.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Don't be surprised if something you feel strongly about fails to get much of a response from those you feel should be most concerned. Maybe you are too close to the situation.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
If someone annoys you today you will react in a way that surprises a few people — and scares a few more! Yes, of course, you will regret it tomorrow when you have calmed down.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
Try not to get annoyed if someone whose support you rely on opposes you in some way today. They are entitled to their point of view and if they disagree with you they have a duty to say so. Maybe you should listen.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
You may find it difficult to focus over the next few days — there are too many things going on for you to concentrate on one thing for any length of time.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
It's just as well you enjoy multi-tasking because partners and colleagues will have you running in all directions today. But don't let it get to the stage where you begin to lose track of what you have done.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
You are reading too many things into too many situations and it's not healthy. Make it your aim today to think and analyze less and just go with the flow.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
You may have a right to be angry that someone has let you down but try not to go over the top about it. The most important thing you have is your reputation for fairness and logical thinking.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
Little things will rub you up the wrong way in a big way over the next 24 hours. Others may say you are over-reacting, and maybe you are, but you are also right to get annoyed.

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